

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation and against the public interest.

Sinclair uses the our airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to provide true variety and substance. Large companies control the airwaves now, and citizens are less informed than ever; propaganda is their 'service.' None of this is information necessary to make good decisions in choosing leadership.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. They certainly show the abdication of the FCC as guardians of the 'free' movement of ideas people advocated at the beginning of this nation. Thank you.